



Cultural Arts Office  
**EDUCATION**  
City of Carlsbad

# Arts BRAG

2010-11 SCHOOL YEAR MAY/JUNE

## Face to Face: The Changing Face of Portraiture

William D. Cannon Art Gallery • April 3 – May 27, 2011



This exhibition examines how seventeen contemporary artists address portraiture and explore the nuances of face, figure, and personality in a variety of styles and approaches. Whether depicting a friend, stranger, loved one or self-portrait, each work communicates a visual description about the life of the original subject.

### Family Open Studios

Saturday, May 21

Saturday, June 18

Courtyard of the Carlsbad City  
Library complex

11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Free

Family Open Studios is a hands-on art-making event designed for all ages! First, tour the current exhibition in the William D. Cannon Art Gallery. Then, you'll be greeted by an artist educator to set you up with a specially designed art project related to the exhibition. Finally, you get to take your completed works of art home. All materials and workspace are provided. No reservations required and you can stay as long as you like!



Above left: America Martin, *Rock, Paper, Scissors*, 2010, oil and acrylic on canvas, 72 x 78 inches, courtesy Joanne Artman Gallery, Laguna Beach, CA. Left: Sonia Paulino, *Manuel and Scotty, Echo Park*, 2006, archival ink jet print, 12 x 12 inches, courtesy the artist.

# What's going on...

### CARLSBAD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

#### Calavera Hills Middle School (CHMS)

Under the direction of Judi Stapleton CHMS Drama students are currently preparing for the Drama Teachers Association of Southern California Shakespeare Festival on April 30. Students will be performing five to eight minute scenes from plays such as *Romeo and Juliet*, *Taming of the Shrew*, *Much Ado About Nothing*, and *King Lear*. The public can see a preview of these scenes on April 20 at 7 p.m. at the Carlsbad Cultural Arts Center, 3557 Lancer Way, Carlsbad.

CHMS Band, Orchestra (led by Joe Purser) and Choir (led by Christy Owen) classes are preparing for the Music in the Parks Festival at Knott's Berry Farm on May 21. Their spring concert will be on June 1 at 7 p.m. at the Calavera Hills Middle School gym.

#### Hope Elementary School

April and May brings a series of Open House events. In April the 1st grade classes will perform songs like *Caribbean Amphibian*, *Growing*, *I Will Sing Hello* and *Oboa Asi Me Nsa* for their parents.

The 3rd grade classes have been learning hand drum techniques. Thanks to the generosity of the Carlsbad Educational Foundation, Hope was able to purchase many new instruments, including several sets of hand drums so every child has one to play. They enjoyed watching a video of world renowned hand drum player Glen Velez and learned to play songs together

Next, the 3rd graders will begin playing dulcimers and play a traditional Irish "pin" game along with traditional folk dancing to Liza Jane.

Kindergarten students are busy exploring how music can be high and low, have double and triple meters, and have begun to use hand signs to sing different notes.

In March the Calavera Hills Middle School band and orchestra came and performed for the 4th and 5th grade students. Hope music students were able to play along with the groups and discuss music choices for middle school. Handbells, band, strings and drama will perform at Calavera Hills Elementary School on May 25. 4th grade students are making great progress on their recorders. A small group will perform at Legoland for Celebrate Carlsbad Day in May. Last but not least, Hope school dancers are finishing up the year with International folk dances. 3rd graders are starting a unit on swing dance and all grades will participate in a "leap and limbo" contest.

#### Jefferson Elementary School

The violin class at Jefferson Elementary is going strong thanks to the continued support of the city's Cultural Arts Office. The class offers group violin lessons to students in grades 1 through 5. There are currently 25 students in the intermediate class and 30 students in the second session of the beginner class. The first session, which ran from October to December, was the largest class ever with 35 students. Over 80 students will have participated in the violin program by the end of the school year. The intermediate class is looking forward to our first concert in March.

The beginners will have a chance to participate in the Multicultural Festival as well as the spring concert with the band. Several members of Jefferson's Violin Class have gone on to participate in orchestra class at Valley Middle School.

#### Jefferson Elementary School

Jefferson musicians are practicing diligently to showcase their skills in a variety of upcoming spring performances. The 3rd through 5th grade Chorus members have been singing songs from Japan, Africa and Israel, as well as American folk songs, in two and three parts for their concert on May 11. In addition, the 5th grade Guitar Club has been working on Rock and Roll melodies to feature at the May 11 concert. The Guitar students will also represent Jefferson at the annual "Celebrate Carlsbad Day" at Legoland on May 14.

Jefferson's 4th and 5th grade Band also worked hard to prepare Classical selections such as Beethoven's *Ninth Symphony*, as well as their favorite, *Theme from Star Wars*, for their concert that will take place on April 15. Finally, all Jefferson students will have the opportunity to sing and dance at Jefferson's Multicultural Festival on May 21.

And a special thanks to Jefferson's music teacher, Marilyn Shepard, along with her music students who participated in the Experience the World in the Village event on March 19. They did a wonderful job!

#### Kelly Elementary School

Arts education continues to motivate and inspire our young artists at Kelly Elementary. The three arts educators use the state standards and arts curriculum to get young brains thinking and bodies moving! Pam Laird, PTA sponsored Dance educator for the 1st and 2nd graders, is using movement and motion to explore American and International folk dances. They will learn partner dances and the final "Leap" and "Limbo" contests will top off the year.

Laura Donovan, Carlsbad Educational Foundation (CEF) sponsored Music educator for kindergarten through 5th grades, will have recorders for the 3rd and 5th graders. They will use composition and rhythm reading to explore "It's in the B-A-G". The CEF has generously donated recorders for the 4th graders. A ukulele activity is planned in May for upper grades. By using



Calavera Hills Middle School students play with the Hope band.



Orff and rhythm instruments to accompany songs, the students have fun while learning state music standards. We have three timpani to really hear the beat!

Our Kelly kindergarten through 5th grade students work weekly with Andrea Team, PTA sponsored Visual Art Educator. The next unit will be discussing the concepts of color, content, narrative and subject. The students may use a specific work of a great Master or do one drawing or painting of their own, then describe it using the four descriptive qualities.

Thank you to Kelly's awesome PTA for funding the Art and Dance Programs and Kelly Cougar Chorus.

### Poinsettia

Since Poinsettia opened the school in 2007, they have made a concerted effort to have academic excellence that integrates the full spectrum of the Arts. As part of the "Arts Program" students receive weekly lessons in Art, Music, and Physical Education.

The school has received a private grant each year for the past four years for Art instruction and they have incorporated many avenues to deliver a comprehensive program to our students. Visual arts teacher, Tara Clark, has worked with a variety of strategies and media to help the students develop an understanding of art and the media they can use to represent their thoughts and feelings in their works. Students have used pastels, paint, chalk, and crayon. They have participated in the PTA Arts Reflection contest which has grown in numbers that are shown each Spring Open House.

The music program has begun with weekly lessons for each classroom for the entire school year. The past two years the funding for this program has been provided through the Carlsbad Education Foundation. Teacher, Lisa Harper, has the students learning and playing instruments (drums, recorders, xylophones), participating in rhythm activities, and doing vocal sessions for each grade level. In addition, students have performed at Legoland and La Costa Resort. The students also have attended ballet and symphony programs in San Diego, as well as enjoyed presentations in assemblies from groups performing Mozart and Beethoven.

Poinsettia's PTA has been the driving force for many programs and assists in the monthly "Arts" assemblies. Their support and funding have also allowed the school to bring in a Martial Arts program called Kinderate/Kiderate for kindergarten to 2nd grade. Furthermore, their PTA provides students and parents with an opportunity to use their art skills for an annual program that creates tiles. These tiles are fired and installed all over the school and add to the color and an artistic atmosphere.

This year the students have taken an active role in decorating the blacktop with USA and World maps, fraction tetherball courts, and number grids that are used at recess, as well as outdoor lessons. PTA is now arranging for a service group to come into school and paint the district wide character traits and conflict resolution steps on our ball walls using animated figures and settings that "show" these traits and steps in action. The project will be done using the direction of a local artist, Karma Klauber, Wall Splash Décor and More, and will be part of part of their Weekend of Service community outreach program sponsored by the North Coast Community Church.

### Valley Middle School (VMS)

The Advanced Art class created canvas paintings inspired by the television show *CBS Sunday Morning* and rendered interpretations of the sun in acrylic paint on 18" x 18" canvases. They also collaborated to create an installation piece based on the works of Louis Nevelson. The students used scrap wood to create sixteen 9" x 12" rectangles of wood sculptures that were then assembled to create one large

hanging sculpture. The students work will be hung at different locations around the Valley campus.

Presently, all of the 6th through 8th grade students are working on a variety of projects to be exhibited at the Open House Art Show on May 19 in the VMS multi-use room.

Advanced Band and Advanced Orchestra participated in Disneyland's Soundtrack Recording Session in February where the students recorded music in Disney's state-of-the-art recording studio with a Disney musician as guest conductor. The experience was complete with headphones for each musician and discussions about the process of recording music for films. Intermediate Band, Advanced Band, and Orchestra will participate in our annual Music in the Parks Music Festival in May at Knott's Berry Farm. Also in May, select musicians from Beginning Band will be performing duets, trios, and quartets for the Carlsbad Education Foundation's Celebrate Carlsbad Day at Legoland.

Viking Singers, Showstoppers and Ensemble just finished their performance of *Once Upon a Mattress* at the Cultural Arts Center. Two casts were featured in this musical with a combined cast of almost 100! Audiences enjoyed the two lead actors, sharing the role of Princess Winifred, Erin Elliott and Megan Ohlin.

Showstoppers are working towards their upcoming competition at Disney's California Adventure on April 29. They will be performing their competition set of Stevie Wonder songs at the 5-6-7-8 Show Choir Competition featuring groups from all over the state in both middle school and high school categories.

Viking Singers and Ensemble will be competing at the Music in the Parks festival at Knott's Berry Farm on Saturday, May 14.



Hope's kindergartener's experience triple meter in a paper plate skate exercise.

## From the **Field**

### Bringing It Home to Carlsbad

Our Arts-in-Education Advisory Committee continues to be your advocate for keeping and improving arts in our Carlsbad schools. We meet on a regular basis, sharing information on advocacy, grant and program opportunities. Our community committee will continue to gather information and seek to assist in any way with these advocacy efforts.

Special thanks to our March presenter Jennifer Oliver, Associate Director with Young Audiences of San Diego. She shared information about their programs and provided information about Arts Education Resource Organization (AERO) and The Right Brain Initiative.

#### For more info about...

**Education Programs or Our Committee Meetings**  
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**Gallery Exhibition & Programs**  
760-602-2021

**Other Programs & Events**  
**Offered by the Cultural Arts Office**  
visit our website at [www.carlsbadca.gov/arts](http://www.carlsbadca.gov/arts)

**Cannon Art Gallery**  
Carlsbad City Library complex • 1775 Dove Lane, 92011

## Mark your calendar!

Future meeting dates for the  
2011-12 school year:

**October 6, 2011**

**January 12, 2012**

**March 8, 2012**

Thursdays from 3:30 to 5 p.m.

Gowland Meeting Room

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